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Mr. Lowell Braxton  
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February 18, 1993

Dear Mr. Braxton:

Enclosed are two sets, one signed and one a working copy, of the Notice of Intention to Amend Mining Operations, submitted on behalf of South Standard Mining Company for the Trixie Shaft Area. The Trixie is located within the East Tintic Mining District, Utah County, Utah, and is presently covered under an NOI and bond by Sunshine Mining Company. Other permit areas in the District, including the Apex Shaft area, Burgin Mill and Zuma clay operation, acre also included under this same NOI. Effective January 1, 1993, Sunshine relinquished operating control of the Trixie to the owner, South Standard, and the remaining areas to Chief Consolidated Mining Company, the owner of those properties.

No significant change in the operations or reclamation of the Trixie is anticipated under South Standard's management. However, because of the rather unusual circumstances involved (i.e. splitting out one permit area from an NOI covering several), and because a recalculation of the surety was in order, an amendment was felt to be more appropriate than simply a transfer of Notice of Intention, and certainly more appropriate than a new NOI. According to DOGM's definition, an amendment is an "insignificant change to the approved Notice of Intention." Even though an amendment requires only a description of the important changes to a plan, the enclosed submittal was designed to be a stand-alone document, with references made to the NOI presently on file at DOGM.

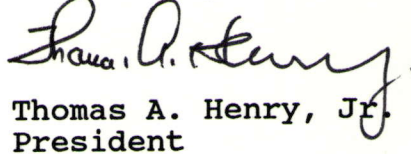
A fully executed Transfer of Notice of Intention is included with this submittal, together with a partially completed Reclamation Contract. The surety information required as part of the Reclamation Contract has been left blank for the time being since the amount and type remains to be approved.

South Standard would very much appreciate your prompt review of this document. If you have any questions regarding the information contained therein, please feel free to contact me or

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Mr. Allan Young of Sunshine Mining Company. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
Thomas A. Henry, Jr.  
President

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Enclosures  
cc: Allan Young